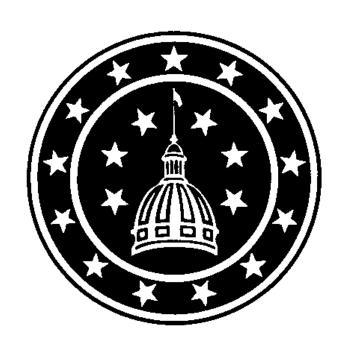
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SELECT JOINT COMMISION ON MEDICAID OVERSIGHT



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INFORMATION REPORT

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I. STATUTORY DIRECTIVE

The Indiana General Assembly enacted legislation (IC 2-5-26-8) directing the Commission to do the following:

- (1) Determine whether the contractor for the Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning (OMPP) under IC 12-15-30 that has responsibility for processing provider claims for payment under the Medicaid program has properly performed the terms of the contractor's contract with the state.
- (2) Study and propose legislative and administrative procedures that could help reduce the amount of time needed to process Medicaid claims and eliminate reimbursement backlogs, delays, and errors.
- (3) Oversee the implementation of a case-mix reimbursement system developed by OMPP and designed for Indiana Medicaid-certified nursing facilities.
- (4) Study and investigate any other matter related to Medicaid.
- (5) Study and investigate all matters related to the implementation of the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) established by IC 12-17.6.

In addition, the Commission was charged by the Legislative Council (LCR 06-01 as adopted June 13, 2006) to study the topic of Medicaid reimbursement rates.

II. SUMMARY OF WORK PROGRAM

The Commission met two times during the 2006 interim session, on August 10 and September 26, both held at the State House in Indianapolis.

At the meeting on August 10, the Commission received a presentation from Rep. David Orentlicher entitled "Expanding the Pool: A Proposal to Increase Health Insurance Coverage in Indiana". Additional testimony centered on options that might insure workers in small businesses and which could help the working poor. An update on the Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) was also received, as well as an update on EDS, the state's Medicaid claims processing agent. Testimony was also received on the topic of Medicaid provider reimbursement.

The second meeting, held on September 26, was devoted to the topic of Medicaid provider reimbursement. Testimony was received from approximately 19 individuals.

The Commission, by statute, may meet at any time during the calendar year. A final report was not able to be adopted prior to the October 31 deadline established in LCR 06-02 due to the lack of a meeting in October.

Meeting minutes for the Commission can be accessed from the General Assembly Homepage at http://www.in.gov/legislative/.